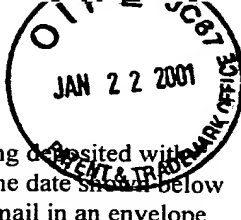


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**REQUEST FOR TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2000.

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2000 for two (2) months from November 16, 2000 to January 16, 2001.

The \$390.00 fee to cover the cost of the extension is submitted herewith by check. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 04-1133.

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